

## **ENERGY MANAGEMENT (CSP Enhancements)**Colorado Enhancement Activity Job Sheet E-9

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## **Use of Perennial or Annual Legumes in Rotation**

Payment = \$ 0.10 / Acre / Year when annual legumes are used in rotation = \$ 0.70 / Acre / Year when perennial legumes are used in rotation The payment applies only to those acres planted to a legume.

Perennial and annual legumes are excellent fertilizer for the soil, providing nitrogen and organic matter to the soil for subsequent crop use. Adding alternative fertilizers to inorganic compounds will benefit the soil's water holding capacity and tilth. Additionally, this approach can reduce the consumption of fossil fuels and minerals used in the production of inorganic fertilizer, conserving energy in the process. However, when using these alternative sources, it is still essential to follow good management practices in order to avoid damage to the crop and hazards to the environment.

**Documentation Required:** Farmer or crop consultant certification of planting legumes. Use the following Table for documentation. An example is provided to assist you.

Tract & Field #s	Acres	Crop Grown
T123 Field 3	80	Peas
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## **Use of Legumes in Crop Rotation Certification**

I certify that I have planted legumes as part of my c	crop rotation in the field(s) listed in
the table above.	

Name:	Date: